

**The Building Code Standards Committee
will meet on
April 9, 2009, at
One Capitol Hill, Conference Room A
Providence, Rhode Island**

630th Meeting 1:00 p.m. April 9, 2009

- 1. Call to order**

- 2. Appeals: 09-04 College of Pharmacy – University of Rhode Island, requesting a variance from the International Building Code, Section 1406.2.2**

- 3. Approval of Minutes of last meeting.**

- 4. Correspondence.**

- 5. Committee Reports**

- 6. Legislation**

- 7. Old Business.**

8. New Business.

9. Announcements

10. Adjourn

629th Building Code Standards Meeting March 12, 2009

1. Chairman Stillings called the meeting of the Building Code Standards Committee called to order at 1:05 p.m.

2. Appeals: 08-19 East Providence School withdrew its appeal.

3. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the meeting held on February 12, 2009, by Mr. Newbrook and seconded by Ms. Aschman. Motion passed unanimously.

4. CORRESPONDENCE: None

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a. Certification Subcommittee:

Mr. Pagliaro stated that Mr. Craig DePetrillo Certified Eligible Building Inspector and Mr. David Rodio for Certified Eligible Building Official. Both meet certification requirements for said positions. A motion was made to approve was made by Mr. Pagliaro and seconded by Mr. Nash. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Pagliaro mentioned that the subcommittee has been working on the certification on inspectors and are in the process of writing a final draft and

would like to present that to the committee shortly. We will be breaking this

up into three separate categories, Building Official, Building Inspector 1 and

Building Inspector 2. One will be responsible for strictly residential and the

other will be responsible for residential and commercial and the Building

Official will responsible for everything. To be qualified for these you will

have to take courses.

b. Mechanical and Electrical Subcommittee:

In regards to the corrugated stainless steel tubing (CSST) and the Subcommittee is looking to change the wording to the existing code due to a incorrect lightning strike may follow through to a building and may cause pitting in the CSST:

Mr. Leyden mentioned at last month's meeting. The committee asked that both electrical and the mechanical subcommittee look at CSST to determine what we should do with this matter and the steps that need to be taken. If the Board today decides to go fourth with these changes the steps would be the same as they would be to adopt a code, by going through the rules and regulations and we

would have to hold a public hearing and we would have to go the Oversight Committee and to the Secretary of States Office. The Board would not be voting today to adopt it, you would be voting today just to start the process with the public hearing.

There was an in depth discussion between the Board members on why this should or should not be implemented. Many Board members stated that this could be very controversial because NSE does not mention anything on electrical strike.

A motion was made to undertake the steps to incorporate this into code by Mr. Turner and seconded by Mr. Carlson. Said motion failed nine (9) votes “Nay” to four (4) “Aye”

A motion was made to invite the manufacturer to come before the Board and state why they should not be banned by Mr. Carlson and seconded by Mr. Newbrook. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Legislation:

A. House Bill H 5887

This bill is in regards to the Housing and Maintenance Code that our Subcommittee has met and drafted. Mr. Leyden has met with Representative McCauley who is the sponsor of this bill. This bill would give powers to the committee the right to adopt a new State wide housing and maintenance code through rules and regulations

such is done with all other codes in the State. This has not yet been brought to the Cities and Towns. We are waiting to see the outcome of this Bill. This would give us the power to adopt and once we have that then we can go forward to bringing this to the Cities and Towns.

Mr. Leyden wanted to inform the committee that this bill has been sponsored and that he will continue to monitor and see when it will be heard.

B. Presidents Stimulus Package

In the stimulus package there was requirement for local States to adopt the most recent Energy Conservation Codes. Mr. Leyden has met with both the House and Senate side to discuss the bill to add language to our State Building Code. There are no sponsors at this time. The House and Senate leadership will be deciding who will be sponsoring this bill. Presented to you today is a draft language after meeting with them this past week. Drafted before you today is pretty much verbatim what was put into the stimulus package for the State of Rhode Island to be able to get money.

C. House Bill 5347 and Senate Bill 0617

Green Buildings Act was held up about a week ago. Mr. Leyden has met with both the House and Senate side and also the sponsor. The sponsor for the two of these Bills will continue to hold them. There are two separate Bills that have been introduced puts into Public Properties and Works, and this is the one that they will be pushing to go forward with. This means that it would not be under the State Building Code it would be under Public Properties. The sponsors on both the Senate and House side are working out the wording to make some minor changes.

7. Old Business:

A. List of Positions missing Credit Hours.

A list has been presented to you with a list of names that shows who are short hours. The three year cycle for certification was over on December 31, 2008. We are now on a new cycle. This lists the person's name, position and what hours they are short. This is being presented to the Committee for advice on what they would like to do. In the past three year cycle, the Committee gave people time to make credits. It was stated that in past that a letter was sent out to let people know they were short hours and that they either have to present that they have completed them or have one year to complete them. A motion was made to send a letter and prove that you have the credits or you have a maximum of one year to get your credits by

Mr. Pagliaro and seconded by Mr. Carlson. Motion passed unanimously.

B. Rehab Code

Mr. Carlson asked what the status of the Rehab Code and if the Subcommittee has met. Subcommittee is still waiting on receiving all final reports. Mr. Carlson asked the Mr. Leyden to email a list of what is missing so that he could chase down so that the Committee could reconvene.

7. New Business: None

8. Announcements: None

9. Adjourn:

There being no further business to come before the Building Code

Standards Committee, a motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Newbrook and seconded by Mr. DeBlois. The meeting was adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

**John P. Leyden, CBO
Executive Secretary**

BUILDING CODE BOARD OF APPEALS:

Members Present: D. Aschman, B. Bernard, R. Brown, J. Carlson, B. Davey, R. DeBlois, P. DePace, W. Howe, W. Nash, D. Newbrook, M. Newman, J. Pagliaro, D. Palmisciano, G. Preiss, R. Stillings, and S. Turner.

Staff Members Present: J. Leyden, T. Coffey and J. Enos

Members Absent: A. Durand, T. Chabot, R. Collins, J. Fink and D. Gagnon.

Staff Members Absent: None

BUILDING CODE STANDARDS COMMITTEE:

Members Present: D. Aschman, B. Bernard, R. Brown, J. Carlson, B. Davey, R. DeBlois, P. DePace, W. Howe, W. Nash, D. Newbrook, M. Newman, J. Pagliaro, D. Palmisciano, G. Preiss, R. Stillings, and S. Turner.

Staff Members Present: J. Leyden, T. Coffey and J. Enos

Members Absent: A. Durand, T. Chabot, R. Collins, J. Fink and D. Gagnon.

Staff Members Absent: None

The next meeting of the Building Code Standards Committee will be

**held on Thursday, April 9, 2009, at The Department of Administration,
One Capitol Hill, 2nd Floor, Conference Room A, Providence, Rhode
Island.**